

election provided for in this section is held may be held as called or scheduled. Notice of the bond election shall be given by publication twice in a newspaper or newspapers having general circulation in each county in the State, and the election and the registration of voters therefor shall be held under and in accordance with the general laws of the State. Absentee ballots shall be authorized in the election.

The State Board of Elections shall reimburse the counties of the State for all necessary expenses incurred in holding the election which are in addition to those which would have otherwise been incurred, the same to be paid out of the Contingency and Emergency Fund.

Voting machines may be used in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the State Board of Elections. The State Board of Elections may also cause to be printed and distributed, to the extent necessary, ballots for use in the election. The question to be used in the voting machines and ballots shall be in substantially the following form:

"For the issuance of two hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) State of North Carolina Prison and Youth Services Facilities Bonds constituting general obligation bonds of the State secured by a pledge of the faith and credit and taxing power of the State for the purpose of providing funds, with any other available funds, for paying the cost of State prison and youth services facilities.

Against the issuance of two hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) State of North Carolina Prison and Youth Services Facilities Bonds constituting general obligation bonds of the State secured by a pledge of the faith and credit and taxing power of the State for the purpose of providing funds, with any other available funds, for paying the cost of State prison and youth services facilities."

If a majority of those voting thereon in the election shall vote in favor of the issuance of the bonds, the bonds may be issued as herein provided. If a majority of those voting thereon in the election shall vote against the issuance of the bonds, the bonds shall not be issued.

The result of the election shall be canvassed and declared as provided by law for the holding of elections for State officers and the result thereof certified by the State Board of Elections to the Secretary of State, in the manner and at the time provided by the general election laws of the State.

Sec. 8. *Issuance of Bonds and Notes.* (a) *Terms and Conditions.* Bonds or notes may bear such date or dates, may be serial or term bonds or notes, or any combination thereof, may mature in such amounts and at such time or times, not exceeding 40 years from their date or dates, may be payable at such place or places, either within or